CITY OF ROSEMOUNT DAKOTA COUNTY, MINNESOTA

RESOLUTION 2022 - 05

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING POLLINATOR FRIENDLY HABITATS AND ENVIRONMENTS

WHEREAS, bees, butterflies, moths and other insects, collectively known as pollinators, are integral parts to a wide diversity of essential food production; and,

WHEREAS, pollinators are being threatened due to habitat loss, pesticide use, pathogens and parasites; and,

WHEREAS, research indicates use of neonicotinoid synthetic chemical insecticides causes die off of plant pollinators, including bees, butterflies, moths and other insects; and,

WHEREAS, the Rosemount City Council finds it in the public interest to demonstrate its commitment to a safe and healthy community environment through the implementation of best management practices in maintenances of the city parks, open spaces and property.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Rosemount shall undertake its best efforts to become a pollinator friendly city by undertaking best management practices in the use of plantings and pesticides in all public spaces within the city.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that with the exceptions of the treatment of ash trees for emerald ash borer, the city shall refrain from the use of pesticides from the neonicotinoid family on city property.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the city shall undertake its best efforts to plant flowers favorable to bees and other pollinators in the city's public spaces, with a preference for native species in native spaces.

ADOPTED this 18th day of January, 2022.

William H. Droste, Mayor

ATTEST:

Erin Fasbender, City Clerk